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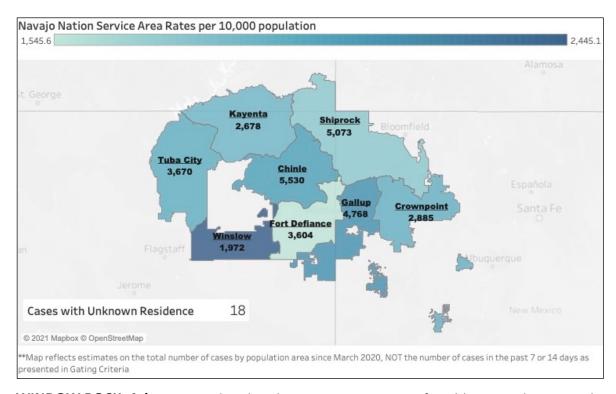
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## 16 new cases, 16,425 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19



**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** – On Wednesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 16 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,259 as previously reported on Tuesday. Reports indicate that 16,425 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, and 256,721 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 30,198, including one delayed reported case.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 5,530

Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,885Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,604

Gallup Service Unit: 4,768Kayenta Service Unit: 2,678Shiprock Service Unit: 5,073

• Tuba City Service Unit: 3,670

• Winslow Service Unit: 1,972

\* 18 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Wednesday, the state of Arizona reported 750 new cases, Utah reported 612, and New Mexico reported 222. On April 6, Navajo Area Indian Health Service reported that 246,065 total vaccine doses have been received, 219,663 administered, which represents over 89-percent. 88,924 individuals have been fully vaccinated.

"Do not let your guard up. Keep taking all precautions to protect you and your loved ones against COVID-19 and the two variants that have been detected on the Navajo Nation recently. We shouldn't be discouraged by the variants, but we should stay informed each day and help to inform our elders of new updates. We continue to make progress in administering the COVID-19 vaccines thanks to the dedication of our health care workers. The public health experts continue to urge all Navajo Nation residents, who meet the requirements, to receive the vaccine. If you do get vaccinated, please remember that you must continue to take all precautions to remain safe from the virus. Stay home as much as possible, wear a mask, practice social distancing, avoid large in-person gatherings, and wash your hands often," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

The Nez-Lizer Administration will hold an online town hall on Thursday at 10:00 a.m. (MDT) on the Nez-Lizer Facebook page and YouTube channel to provide additional COVID-19 updates.

"The fight against COVID-19 and the variants continues. We have to support one another and pray for all of our health care workers and our communities. Together, we are overcoming the pandemic day by day. Please do your best to remain optimistic and remember to get tested if you feel symptoms related to COVID-19. We are in this together," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: <a href="http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19">http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19</a>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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